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153rd Street closed at US 45 / LaGrange Road

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that 153rd Street just east of US 45 (LaGrange Road) in Orland Park will be closed for intersection reconstruction beginning, weather permitting, Tuesday, April 21.

In order to complete the work, 153rd Street will be closed from US 45 to the parking lot of Orland Park Place Shopping Center. A detour will be posted directing 153rd Street traffic to 159th Street and 94th Avenue. Motorists will be able to access all businesses along 153rd Street.

This closure is a part of the ongoing project along LaGrange Road (US 45), which continues through Orland Park, Orland Hills, Palos Park and Tinley Park. The 6.6 mile project, which stretches from 131st Street to 179th Street, includes roadway widening and other reconstruction to ultimately provide three lanes in each direction separated by a landscaped median.

The intersection of 153rd St. is scheduled to reopen by the middle of May.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1 at http://goo.gl/upgvZu. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com.